Statement

Composition of the Committee for selection of sites for large thermal power stations

1	Member (Thermal)	Chairman C.E.A.
2.	A Representative of the SEB in the jurisdiction of which a suitable site is located and being investigated.	Member
3.	A representative of the Department of Coal	Member
4.	A representative of M/s. CMPDIL.	Member
5.	A representative of M/s. NTPC.	Member
6.	A representative of Ministry of Railways.	Member
7.	A representative of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Wildlife.	Member
8.	A representative of the Department of Industrial Development.	Member
9.	A representative of the Planning Commission.	Member
10.	A representative of the Geological Survey of India.	Member
11.	Chief Engineer (Thermal Planning), C.E.A.	Member-Secretary

Price monitoring cell

497. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to tate:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has set up a monitoring cell to monitor the prices of drugs;

(b) if so, the names of bulk drugs and finished medicines where prices have gone up by more than 50% after the announcement of DPCO, 1987; and

(c) what was the price of each before DPCO, 1987, what is the present prices and what is the parcentage increase in each case?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) and (c) As per the provisions of DPCO, 1987, the manufactures of decontrolled drugs are free to revise the prices. However, Government is keeping a watch and has intervened whereever found necessary. The details required in the Question are quite voluminous and the time and effort required for collection thereof will not be commensurate with the result likely to be achieved.

Communications from Members of Parliament regarding Drug Industry

498. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: DR. BAPU KALDATE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry received a number of communications from Members of Parliament on various issues concerning drug industry;

(b) if so, the total number of communications received during the last two years, yearwise alongwith details of each; and

(c) how many communications have been replied to and how many are still pending?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) Yes, sir.

(b) and (c) The information is being compiled and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Consideration of Drugs by Kelkar Committee

499. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what are the names of the drugs communicated in the representations to the Government from schedule two of DPCO, 1987 as having sales turn-over of less than Rs. 50 lakhs in 1986;

(b) how many of these have been considered by the Kelkar Committee and what are the decisions of the Committee;

(c) whether it is a fact that the number of such drugs is not less than 60; and

(d) what is the basis of the report where the committee has gone wrong in as many as 40% of the drugs included in the list?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGALRAO): (a) to (d) Some of the recommendations contained in the Supplementary report submitted by the Kelkar Committee are still under examination.

Letter Boxes in Obra city

500. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) how many letter boxes have been provided for clearance of mail in Obra city in district Mirzapur having a population of about 1 1/2 lakh;

(b) whether it is a fact that the letter boxes installed there are smaller in size and the postmen clear the mail only once or twice in a week and whether the complaints lodged in this regard have not attended to by the higher postal authorities; and

(c) if so, whether Government propose to conduct an inquiry and take appropriate action in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) According to 1981 Census, the population of Obra Notified Area in Mirzapur district is 22,167. There are 9 letter boxes installed in the town.

(b) No, Sir. The letter boxes are of different sizes as suited to the requirements of localities where installed and they are cleared two times a day. There have been no complaints in this regard.

(c) Does not arise.

Postal advisory committees

501. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the criteria/guidelines for nominating members of Telecom Advisory Committees as well as Postal Advisory Committees for various circles;

(b) the details of privileges/facilities and other powers enjoyed by the members of the said Committees:

(c) by when the said committees for Assam circle are likely to be formed; and